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Application No.: To Be Assigned
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Applicant: Smith et al.
Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned
Examiner: To Be Assigned
Title: Networked Product Selection System and Method for its Use
Attorney Docket: 0275Y-000418

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Please amend specification by adding the following paragraph on page 1 before Field of the Invention.

Cross-Reference to Related Application

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.

60/254,128 filed on December 8, 2000

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to claim the benefit of a co-pending provisional application. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if that would be helpful to resolving any issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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